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“THANK-YOU MA’AM” QUESTIONS

After reading “Thank-You Ma’am” by Langston Hughes, respond to the following questions on a separate piece of paper.

1. Near the top of Page 2, why do you think Roger chooses to go to the sink instead of running away from Mrs. Luella Bates Washington Jones?
2. Describe what Roger is like. Use specific examples from the story to support your ideas.
3. What is Mrs. Luella Bates Washington Jones like? Use specific examples from the story to support your ideas.
4. Why do you think Roger wanted Mrs. Luella Bates Washington Jones to trust him at the top of Page 3?
5. Describe the type of conflict in this story. Is it physical, psychological, or both? Use specific examples from the story to support your answer.
6. If you were Roger at the end of the story, what would you say to Mrs. Luella Bates Washington Jones instead of “thank-you”?